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Dated: June 13, 2012.

1 2 3 4 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 5 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 7 8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA No. CR 11-00099 WHA 9 Plaintiff, 10 ORDER RE MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL 11 LAWRENCE R. GOLDFARB and BAYSTAR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, 12 Defendants. 13 14 Defense counsel of record from the Sideman & Bancroft LLP, firm, have moved to 15 withdraw as counsel on the ground that Sideman & Bancroft has not received any payment for 16 legal services in this case for over a year, other than a \$5,000 payment in December 2011. 17 Defendant Lawrence Goldfarb, who is the managing member of defendant Baystar Capital 18 Management, LLC, does not oppose the motion (Dkt. No. 15-2). 19 As stated at yesterday's motion hearing, defense counsel must stay in the case until 20 counsel is appointed. If it is determined that defendant Goldfarb genuinely qualifies for free 21 legal counsel, one possibility would be that Attorney Katz and/or his law firm would be 22 appointed as CJA counsel. Defense counsel will remain as counsel of record until, if ever, they 23 are released of their obligations by court order. 24 25 IT IS SO ORDERED. 26

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**